

# Fort Lauderdale

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## Mayor's Message

**Jim Naugle**

### City Commission

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## City Developments In Education, Technology

The City of Fort Lauderdale has attracted worldwide attention recently as host to an incredible scope of events and as a leading municipality for providing quality citizen services.

The City of Fort Lauderdale was named one of the top 10 cities in the nation for its use of digital technology according to a Digital Cities Survey. The survey was conducted by the Center for Digital Government, a national research and advisory institute based in Folsom, California, that provides government and industry leaders with research and educational services to incorporate new technologies for customer service enhancements. The Digital Cities Survey was the nation's first study on how city govern-

ments have progressed in adopting and utilizing technologies to improve service delivery to citizens.

Fort Lauderdale was recognized for several features of its web site ([www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us](http://www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us)) including: live webcasts of City Commission meetings; accessibility of permit inspection scheduling, plan review status, contractor and property searches; purchasing and bid solicitation accessibility; access to GIS data and maps; and community access to a variety of other forms including employment opportunities and job applications. The recognition serves as a key indication of our commitment to keeping Fort Lauderdale a great place to live, work and visit.

In educational developments, the City of Fort Lauderdale continues in its commitment to the Municipal Leadership in Education Program. Under the guidance of the National League of Cities Institute for Youth, Education and Families, the City's efforts are aimed at working in partnership with school leaders and other key community stakeholders to improve the quality of elementary and secondary education.

With financial support from Carnegie Corporation of New York, institute staff is working with city teams to guide an intensive, 30-month effort that will ultimately develop action plans and implement strategies for improving educational outcomes within our community.

## Business Outreach Fair A Success



More than 130 participants took part in the City of Fort Lauderdale's Second Annual Business Outreach Fair in January. This free event, designed as part of the City's continued efforts to educate and inform minority (MBE), women-owned (WBE) and disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) vendors about the City's procurement practices and procedures, and provide a better understanding of how to do business with the City, featured key note speakers Dr. Dorsey Miller, President/CEO of D.C. Miller and Associates and Windell Page, Director of the Florida Department of Management Services in the Office of Supplier Diversity. Participants were provided with the opportunity to work directly with program administrators and city staff to gain a better understanding of how to do business with the City and how to qualify for a variety of incentive programs.

"This event served as an excellent teaching and learning experience for the business community as well as the City of Fort Lauderdale," said City Manager **Floyd T. Johnson**.

For more information about City purchasing procedures please contact the Purchasing Division at (954) 828-5140.

# City Manager's Message



**Floyd T. Johnson**

## Opportunities Cultivating Civic Involvement

Our community is a diverse one with individuals who have called the City of Fort Lauderdale their home for many years as well as those who hail from many parts of the country and the world. These individuals have a wide array of needs and interests, and obtain information in different ways. The City uses a variety of approaches including publications, the Internet, meetings, workshops, and long-term programs in an effort to effectively communicate with and involve our citizens and visitors. The City offers a number of opportunities designed to promote citizen participation and leadership and to develop partnerships with the goal of building a better community. Such outreach programs strive to

involve, educate and empower citizens in all aspects of our community. In addition to the offerings outlined in this issue, I highlight these programs:

The **Citizens Police Academy** gives citizens a better understanding of police operations and community services available in their community through a free 10-week course. For information on the next class, call **(954) 828-6432**.

The **Citizens Volunteer Corps** provides residents with the ability to address non-emergency, citywide projects that positively influence the community. For information, contact Pam Brown, Assistant to the City Commission, at **(954) 828-5005**.

The **Community Area Planning (CAP)** initiative is an exciting and proactive planning endeavor that is designed to help the City Commission and City Administration manage and direct the community's future. Workshops and meetings provide citizens with many opportunities to address the needs of their neighborhood. For more information, call **(954) 762- 8964**.

Community involvement is fundamental to both the success and stability of Fort Lauderdale. encourage you to get involved in one or more of the many opportunities featured in this issue and to log on to our website ([www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us](http://www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us)) for other opportunities.

### City, SBA to Host "Finding the Money Your Business Needs"

Looking for funding to start a business, expand a company, acquire real estate or purchase equipment? Then make plans to attend "Finding the Money Your Business Needs," a free workshop presented by the City of Fort Lauderdale in partnership with the U.S. Small Business Administration.

The event will take place on Wednesday, March 13 from 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. at War Memorial Auditorium, located at 800 N.E. 8th Street in Holiday Park (corner of Sunrise Blvd. and U.S.1).

"Finding the Money Your Business Needs" will provide small businesses with an opportunity to meet one-on-one with more than 20 agencies and organizations that provide a wealth of financial programs, resources and services. Information will be available about loan opportunities for business start-ups, micro loans, loans for working capital or equipment purchases, urban area revolving loans, funding for inventory or real estate, section 108 loan guarantees, and an array of other funding opportunities. In addition to the City of Fort Lauderdale and U.S. Small Business Administration, participating organizations will include the Broward Alliance, Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport, Metro Broward Economic Development, Florida Atlantic University Small Business Development Center, Florida Business Development Corporation, Partners for Self-Employment, Inc., Task Force on Urban Economic Revitalization, Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE), and numerous local banks and financial institutions. For more information about "Finding the Money Your Business Needs," call **(954) 828-4515**.

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to  
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Small  
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*Emergency services personnel are trained and equipped to handle crisis situations. Following a catastrophic disaster like Hurricane Andrew, citizens may find themselves unable to obtain services for a period of time because of the size of the area, lost communications, or impassable roads.*

## CERT Class Extends Disaster Preparedness

In 1996, the City implemented the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) model to improve community self-reliance and survival ability through training in the event of a large natural disaster.

The next seven week installment of CERT runs April 3 through May 15. The free classes will take place at the Fort Lauderdale Fire-Rescue Training Bureau, located at 2000 NE 16th Street, every Wednesday night from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. To register for the course please call Lieutenant Eric Pologruto, City of Fort Lauderdale Fire-Rescue Training Bureau, at 828-3624. Reservations are being accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Applications will be completed the first night of class. There are 35 seats available for this training session.



“We’ve had more than 500 citizens participate in the CERT series,” said **Fire-Rescue Lieutenant Eric Pologruto**. “Currently, we have more than 300 active members, all of whom belong to 15 different CERT teams, but it is vital to the safety of our entire community to establish CERT teams in every neighborhood.”

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The City Commission will attend Legislative Action Day and related activities conducted by the Florida League of Cities on February 19 and 20 in Tallahassee. Therefore, the meetings regularly scheduled for the third Tuesday of February have been postponed to February 26.

Also, the City Commission recently approved a change in the time of its conference meetings. The start time of the Conference meetings have been changed from 2 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. effective with the February 26 City Commission conference meeting.

The commission will meet as follows:

**12:30 p.m. Conference Agenda Meeting** (held in the 8th floor Conference Room.)

**6 p.m. Regular Agenda Meeting** (held in the 1st floor Commission Chambers)

All meetings may be viewed live online at [www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us](http://www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us)



## Community Appearance Awards Application Deadline Set For March 8



Applications for the 2002 Annual Community Appearance Awards are now available.

The awards program is presented each year by the Fort Lauderdale City Commission and the Community Appearance Board to recognize individuals whose new construction and exterior renovation projects have aesthetically enhanced the surroundings. Property owners, civic associations, businesses, non-profit groups, developers, contractors and architects may submit several projects in a wide range of categories from new construction to renovation for both residential and commercial.



To qualify, the property must be located within the corporate limits of the City of Fort Lauderdale; all entries must be authorized by the property owners; a Certificate of Occupancy must have been issued since January 2000 if submitting in the New Construction category. All applications must be postmarked or received by March 8, 2002 to the Public Information Office, 101 NE 3rd Ave., Suite 300, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301.

To receive an application, please call **(954) 828-4746**.



## City, County HHW Event Offers Residents Safe Disposal Solution

Almost every home contains hazardous products, or products that can harm human health or the environment if improperly handled. They are products used in cleaning, home improvements, automobile maintenance, lawn and garden care, hobbies, and a variety of other tasks. In order to protect health and the environment, every consumer should know how to properly use, store, and dispose of hazardous household products.

In an effort to provide a safe solution to this problem, the City of Fort Lauderdale and Broward County Recycling and Contract Administration Division will host the Residential Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Event on April 14, 2002. The event will take place from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the heliport lot, located at 101 N. Andrews Ave. The event, open to all residents of the county, is designed to provide hazardous waste disposal services to the community to benefit City sanitation customers and to provide an accessible location for HHW services to county residents.

Residents can bring leftover paint, paint thinners and strippers, pesticides, used motor oil, automotive fluids and gasoline solvents, insecticides, fire extinguishers, propane tanks, flares, lawn and pool chemicals and household cleaners. Products should be in their original containers with tightly sealed lids. If the products are not in their original containers, residents are asked to clearly label each product with the contents inside. There will be no commercial disposal permitted. Explosives, biohazardous (medical) waste or business-generated waste will not be accepted. In addition to typical HHW items, residents can bring old electronics such as computers with accessories, televisions, fax machines and cell phones for free disposal. No business-generated electronics will be accepted. There will be no charge for material drop-offs. Residents will be asked to show a driver's license or tax bill as proof of their Broward County residency. The City hosted this event last year attracting 384 customers with 70 percent coming from in the City of Fort Lauderdale. A total of 43,709 pounds of waste was collected and properly disposed of with an average weight per user of 113 pounds.

For more information, please contact Monique Damiano in the City of Fort Lauderdale Public Information Office at (954) 828-4743 or by email ([MoniqueD@ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us](mailto:MoniqueD@ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us)); or Jeanne Clinton of Broward County Office of Integrated Waste Management at (954) 765-4202 ext. 243, or by email ([Jclinton@broward.org](mailto:Jclinton@broward.org)).



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

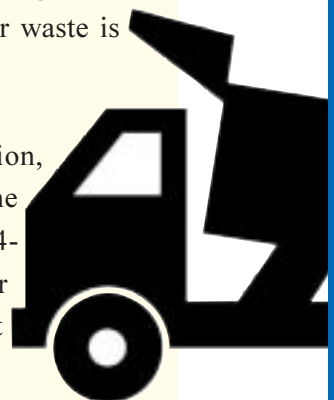
The next City of Fort Lauderdale Recycle Corps meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 25 at 7 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers on the 8th floor of City Hall, 100 N. Andrews Ave. A variety of topics will be addressed. Parking is available in the City Hall parking garage on the east side of the building. For more information, contact Casey Eckels, Recycling Coordinator at (954) 828-5577.



## Help Keep Clean City Standards Up, Costs Down

Clean City services are vital to the appearance and quality of life of our neighborhoods. With your participation, we can continue to provide a high level of City services to ensure that your neighborhoods are always clean, safe and beautiful. Residents are asked to keep these tips in mind when preparing for pick-up.

- Place yard carts, garbage carts and recycle bins two feet apart so the arm of the automated collection vehicle may pick them up easily.
- Place all carts and bins by the curb-side by 7 a.m. for collection.
- To keep your garbage carts fresh and clean, place all food waste, household trash and non-recyclable materials in a large plastic bag before placing it in your garbage cart. Bagging items also prevents litter.
- Putting bulk trash items out at the curb or swale just one day before your scheduled pick-up keeps your curb and swale area clutter-free and provides safe environments and attractive neighborhoods.
- Putting only yard waste in the yard waste cart and only household garbage in the garbage cart will ensure that your waste is recycled properly.
- For more information, please contact the Public Services 24-hour Customer Service Line at (954) 828-8000.







# Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport and the Community

Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport is important to South Florida. The Airport and its Industrial Airpark are major job centers,

employing nearly 5,000 people collectively and providing a positive economic impact to our area. With guidance from the City Commission and the Aviation Advisory Board, the Airport works toward its mission to attract businesses to the area, help those businesses prosper and benefit the community.

Realizing that the Airport can benefit the community best if it is a good neighbor, the City is updating Executive Airport's Master Plan and Part 150 Noise Compatibility Study to determine future aviation demand while considering the needs of the community.

The Master Plan will identify demand over the next five, ten and twenty years and provide a concept for the Airport's operation in the future. The Master Plan will also assess potential impacts of the proposed concepts, with emphasis on noise, land use and other quality of life issues. The Noise Study will determine the extent of noise impact on surrounding communities and develop a program to reduce that impact.

To help develop these studies, the City formed a Coordinating Committee, made up of neighborhood representatives and Airport tenants, to provide input and make recommendations. The Committee also helps disseminate information to the rest of the community and airport users as well as gather their input.

During the course of the two studies, the City is holding a series of public meetings to present the alternatives and receive comments from area residents, airport users, and other agencies. Newsletters and other materials will also provide information throughout the studies.

The next Coordinating Committee meeting is scheduled for April 9 at Florida Atlantic University, 1515 W. Commercial Blvd. The public workshop will be held on April 10 at the Beach Community Center. Airport staff and consultants developing the studies will be available from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, please call the Executive Airport at **(954) 828-4966**.



**TheFort  
Lauderdale  
Executive Airport  
Noise Abatement  
Hotlinenumber  
haschanged  
from  
(954)766-6666  
to(954)828-6666.**

*The City of Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport strives to be a good neighbor and promote a reasonably quiet flying environment. Through the Noise Abatement program and hotline, citizens can call to report unusually loud or low flying aircraft.*

## Lauderdale Manors Playground



A \$12,500 donation, on behalf of the Broward chapter of the Florida Engineering Society (FES) will fund the completion of the Lauderdale Manors Park playground.

The project is the result of a three-way partnership between the City of Fort Lauderdale, FES and Park Structures. The City of Fort Lauderdale is providing \$10,000, approximately half of the cost of the playground structure, and will own and maintain the facility upon completion. FES is contributing

\$12,500 resulting from donations from the engineering firms of Keith and Schnars, Chen and Associates, CH2MHill, Camp Dresser McKee, and Hazen and Sawyer. FES has also established a work force of

members who have volunteered their time to work along with City of Fort Lauderdale employees to assemble and install the playground. Park Structures is providing the playground structure and will oversee the assembly and installation. Through the City's Parks Bond Program, the park's recreation center will be built. The playground is scheduled to be completed by the end of

February. Currently, more than 100 children utilize Lauderdale Manors Park through the City's after school program.

## Business Matters

### DO YOU HAVE the RESOURCES your BUSINESS needsto SUCCEED?

Municipalities strive to help their business community prosper - whether it is by providing incentives, guiding businesses with helpful tools and resources or both. The City of Fort Lauderdale is dedicated to providing the business community with direct access to tools, resources and incentives that make a difference.

To provide small business owners and potential entrepreneurs with an edge in the competitive market, the City has allocated \$15,000 and formed a partnership with the Florida Atlantic University Small Business

Development Center (SBDC) to provide consulting and training seminars free of charge. The following is a list of free upcoming training seminars presented by the City in partnership with the SBDC. All seminars are held from 6 p.m. to 8 a.m. on the 8th floor conference room of City Hall, 100 N. Andrews Ave. To register for any of these forums or for additional information, please contact **Eve Bazer**, Enterprise Zone Manager at (954) 828-4505.

#### *Setting Your Sites For E-Commerce*

On February 26, "How To Set Up E-Commerce for Your Business" will provide key components to successful Internet commerce. Among the topics discussed include unique and professional website content, support strategies to keep prospects and clients satisfied, new product lines, recommended products and services, sales copy proven to sell, developing a marketing strategy with both free and paid advertising.

#### *Financing Your Small Business*

On March 26, "Financing Your Small Business" will present participants with an array of options for obtaining funding from the private and public sector to start or expand a business. Seminar topics include: the Six C's of Lending; Conventional Financing; Government Guaranteed Programs; Pre-Qualification Programs; Unconventional Financing; Guerilla Financing and more.



#### *Frequently Asked Questions About Small Business*



Have a specific question about how to start your business? Is your business plan puzzling you? Here's a business freebee for everyone. The City of Fort Lauderdale and the SBDC are pleased to introduce a question and answer segment that is now available online at

[www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us](http://www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us). The segment is intended to provide answers to all types of business questions to help you succeed. If you have a question, simply link to the email address provided on the site and type away. Here is a sample question and answer already online.



**Q.** *Is a business plan important?*

**A.** *A business plan is of utmost importance as a roadmap to success, stating financial purposes, setting goals and detailing specific strategies for achievement. In addition, a start-up enterprise requires a plan to gauge feasibility and obtain financing. A business plan also serves as a tracking tool for as long as a business operates. As such, it is a dynamic document that can be changed as circumstances change.*



*A January grand opening of the Warfield Park Community Center featured activities for all ages and performances by the North Side Elementary School Dancers.*

## Community Center Unveiled

Warfield Park is sporting a brand new multi-purpose facility designed to meet the programming and recreational needs of the community.

The Warfield Park Community Center, located at 1000 N. Andrews Ave., encompasses 5,600 square feet featuring a 3,200 square foot multi-purpose room that can be subdivided into 2 spaces. The multi-purpose room has two retractable basketball nets to make way for other events and activities. Additionally the room has mounting plates so that a volleyball net can be installed. Other spaces in the building include a programming office, warming kitchen, restrooms, and storage space. The site also includes landscape improvements and additional parking. The facility is fully handicap accessible. The construction of the Community Center is part of the City of Fort Lauderdale's Parks Bond Program, a \$35 million initiative which City residents passed in November 1996 to expand, upgrade and improve the entire City parks system.





## 2002 Neighborhood of the Year Award Announced

Neighborhoods USA is accepting applications for the 2002 Neighborhood of the Year Award Program until March 11, 2002. The awards program recognizes the outstanding work of neighborhoods nationwide whose efforts in 2001 improved the quality of life of their communities. Awards will be given in three categories:

**Physical Revitalization/ Beautification - Single Neighborhood:** Includes projects initiated by one neighborhood organization focusing on the physical aspects of a neighborhood including parks, greenspaces, housing improvements, traffic management, signage and business district enhancement.

**Social Revitalization - Single Neighborhood:** Includes projects initiated by one neighborhood and focus on the social or cultural aspects of a neighborhood such as neighborhood safety, neighborhood youth and seniors, neighborhood festivals and celebrations.

**Multi-Neighborhood Project Partnerships:** Includes projects that are jointly sponsored by at least two neighborhood organizations. They can address physical, social or other project areas.

In order to be considered for a 2002 Neighborhood of the Year Award, a nomination form with a \$35 entry fee must be submitted to Yolanda R. Martinez, Chair, 2002 Neighborhood of the Year Awards, 12707 30th Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98125. Entries must be postmarked by March 11, 2002. For an application or more information, log on to the City of Fort Lauderdale website ([www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us](http://www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us)); the Neighborhoods USA website ([www.nusa.org](http://www.nusa.org)); contact **Leslie Carhart** at (954) 762-8962 or by email at [LeslieC@ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us](mailto:LeslieC@ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us); or contact **Yolanda Martinez** at NUSA by phone at (206) 684-7526 or via email ([yolanda.martinez@ci.seattle.wa.us](mailto:yolanda.martinez@ci.seattle.wa.us)).

Civic participation is of growing importance, both in respect to ideas about how it can contribute to the strengthening of neighborhoods and about the processes and mechanisms that can be used to achieve community goals.

This segment introduces the first in a series of articles scheduled in upcoming issues of Focus On Fort Lauderdale that will promote the benefits of civic participation, highlight the activities and resources available for citizens to increase their participation in government, and to display some of the successful activities and ideas promoted by local active neighborhoods.

### Civic Participation as a Beneficial Tool

While the City of Fort Lauderdale benefits from an active citizenry, there is always room for civic participation at many stages of our growing community. Improving and enhancing our City requires partnerships among neighborhood residents, the business community, community-based organizations and the City of Fort Lauderdale. In order to meet the needs of a growing community, government needs the input of citizens in different ways for the purpose of developing better policy; building ownership and consensus around policy outcomes; promoting accountability for government and citizens; and enhancing quality of life standards throughout our City.

"Civic participation is not a short-term project or program, but rather a long-term partnership between citizens and their government for the purpose of achieving the common goal of success for the community," said **Michael H. Kasten**, President Council of Fort Lauderdale Civic Associations. "Civic participation needs to be framed in terms larger than a few individuals volunteering. This means a partnership between citizens and government. It is through true civic participation that we can maintain our status as a world class City."

The Council, a voluntary group of most civic or homeowner association representatives, meets monthly at City Hall on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the commission conference room. For more information, log on to [www.cflca.org](http://www.cflca.org).

The City of Fort Lauderdale promotes community partnerships through such mechanisms as the Council of Civic Associations, the Citizen Services Office, informational forums, participatory workshops, public hearings, advisory boards, the City's website and more. For more information, on how to get involved, log on to the City's website at ([www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us](http://www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us)), or contact the Public Information Office at (954) 828-4746. Next issue, learn how local civic or homeowner groups have benefited from pro-active civic participation.



### 2002 Code Class Series Offered

The City of Fort Lauderdale Neighborhood Leadership College and Community Inspections Division are collaborating to offer "Breaking the Code - Code Enforcement in Terms We Can All Understand" on March 6, 7, 14, 20 and 21. The five class series is held 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on the 8th floor of City Hall, 100 N. Andrews Ave. The course is being offered with two objectives in mind. First, to address the importance of code enforcement while increasing citizens' awareness of and participation in the code enforcement process. This, in turn, helps the City improve service levels and results. Second, participation in this course is a requirement for individuals applying for the position of part-time code compliance officer. These new staff positions are part of a special initiative to enhance code enforcement services. For more information or to register, please contact Leslie Carhart at (954) 762-8974 or download an application from the City's website ([www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us](http://www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us)).

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## Strengthening Civic Participation



## Lifeguards Needed For Summer Season

Looking for a great summer job? Here's a great opportunity for applicants 16 years of age and older.

The City of Fort Lauderdale Parks and Recreation Department is looking for mature and responsible applicants to lifeguard at one of six community swimming pools. Each year, the City of Fort Lauderdale provides recreational swimming to more than 15,000 participants and nearly 2,000 Learn To Swim students. Sixty lifeguards will be needed to work for the upcoming season. The Parks and Recreation Department offers Lifeguard Training and Water Safety Instructor courses from February through June. The 30-hour course, which is certified by the American Red Cross, provides training in CPR, First Aid, water activities and rescues. Upon completion, trainees can be hired by the City of Fort Lauderdale as a professional lifeguard. For more information please call **David Deal** at (954) 828-8983.



## Teen Job Fair Set

The City of Fort Lauderdale Parks and Recreation Department and the Teen Coalition, will co-host the Fifth Annual Teen Job Fair on April 2, between the hours of 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Bring your resume, show off your work and volunteer experience and meet with hiring employers at the Fort Lauderdale High School Gymnasium, 1600 NE 4 Ave.

The Teen Coalition is comprised of service organizations throughout Broward County that meet monthly to plan activities for and discuss issues concerning teens. For more information or to register, please contact Barbara Barber at (954) 828-8945 or Marlyne Milfort at (954) 828-8942.



The City of Fort Lauderdale is planning a birthday bash with the Baltimore Orioles to commemorate 40th anniversary of Fort Lauderdale Stadium on March 15.

The Baltimore Orioles return to South Florida for their seventh spring at our historic stadium. You are invited to watch daily practice, at no charge beginning mid-February. Be an early bird by buying your tickets now for the birthday celebration featuring plenty of surprises. Gates open at 5 p.m. Come out and enjoy pre-game pageantry, including live music and a burst of color as we kick off 2002 spring training, continuing a Fort Lauderdale tradition.

Fort Lauderdale Stadium is located at 1301 NW 55th St. west of I-95 on Commercial Blvd. For Orioles Spring Training ticket information, please call (954) 776-1921.

The following is the 2002 Orioles Spring Training Home Schedule:

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT
Feb. 28	7:05 p.m.	Montreal
Mar. 2	1:05 p.m.	Los Angeles
Mar. 6	1:05 p.m.	St. Louis
Mar. 7	1:05 p.m.	Boston
Mar. 8	1:05 p.m.	New York Mets
Mar. 10	1:05 p.m.	Montreal
Mar. 12	1:05 p.m.	Florida
Mar. 13	1:05 p.m.	Los Angeles
Mar. 15	7:05 p.m.	New York Mets
Mar. 17	1:05 p.m.	Texas
Mar. 19	1:05 p.m.	Minnesota
Mar. 22	1:05 p.m.	Tampa Bay
Mar. 23	1:05 p.m.	St. Louis
Mar. 26	1:05 p.m.	Montreal

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
www.TheOrioles.com				28 7:05 MON	1 1:05 MON	2 1:05 LA
3 1:10 NYM	4 1:05 STL	5 1:05 MIN	6 1:05 STL	7 1:05 BOS	8 1:05 NYM	9 1:05 TEX
10 1:05 MON	11 1:05 MON	12 1:05 FLA	13 1:05 LA	14 7:05 MON	15 7:05 NYM	16 1:05 STL
17 1:05 TEX	18 1:05 BOS	19 1:05 MIN	20	21 1:05 CIN	22 1:05 TAM	23 1:05 STL
24 1:10 NYM	25 1:05 LA	26 1:05 MON	27 6:05 FLA	28 1:05 FLA	29 7:05 ATL	30
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■ Home Games □ Away Games

TICKET PRICES	
Box Seats .....	\$12.00
Reserved Grandstand .....	\$9.00
General Admission Adults .....	\$6.00
General Admission Kids .....	\$3.00
(14 & under)	
BOX OFFICE HOURS:	
February 11th to March 26th	
10 am - 4 pm, Monday - Sunday	

**Don't miss the Orioles Charity Breakfast on February 24.**

This spring training tradition is held at Fort Lauderdale Stadium and includes a buffet breakfast, player autograph session and auctions to benefit Sun-Sentinel charities. Admission is \$15 per person.

Tickets are limited and must be purchased in advance. Please call the Breakfast Hotline at (954) 828-5813.

*Current events may cause delays in mail deliveries of this publication. Should you receive this publication after an event has occurred please accept our apologies.*

FOUR DECADES OF SPRING TRAINING



## Auto Theft Gets A



Auto thefts are opportunistic crimes that are preventable with some minor effort and simple crime prevention measures.

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department has implemented various crime prevention programs to reduce and eliminate auto theft. With these programs and others, the Fort Lauderdale Police Department has reduced auto theft from 455 vehicles in 2000 to 350 in 2001, a 23% reduction.

With the awarding of the Operation Right Trac grant, the police department has implemented several initiatives to help you take an active role in helping to reduce auto thefts.

### The top ten stolen vehicles in the City of Fort Lauderdale are:

1. 1986-1991 Toyota Camry
2. 1994-2000 Honda Accord
3. 1987-1999 Toyota Corolla
4. 1989-1997 Ford Van
5. 1989-2000 Ford F150
6. 1997-2000 Ford Taurus
7. 1991-2000 Ford Mustang
8. 1992-1999 Honda Civic
9. 1997-2000 Mitsubishi Mirage
10. 1976-1979 Oldsmobile Cutlass

Operation TATTOO (Targeting Auto Theft Through Overt Operations) is a strategy that focuses on predicting and analyzing potential trends in auto theft. The efforts are also aimed at reducing auto theft of the ten most stolen vehicles in Fort Lauderdale while increasing arrests for auto theft offenses. If you live or work in the City of Fort Lauderdale and own a car in the top 10 stolen car group detailed on the left,

you are eligible to receive a free steering wheel locking device. You must provide car registration and complete a form when you receive this device.

The CAT (Combat Auto Theft) decal program is yet another tool that auto owners can take advantage of free of charge. The CAT decal is a highly reflective micro glass beaded sticker that is designed to be placed in the lower left side of the rear window. By obtaining a CAT decal, the owner authorizes and gives consent to any law enforcement officer to stop the vehicle and question the driver between the hours of 1 am - 5 a.m. if the vehicle is on the road.

VIN etching is yet another strategy used to identify a car if it is stolen. If you own an older automobile, you may not have the vehicle identification number on your windows (most newer cars come etched from the factory). At a Fort Lauderdale Police Department Auto Theft Rally, you can have your vehicle VIN etched for free.

To obtain a free club for your vehicle or to get information on the next VIN Etching event, contact Detective Eddie Robinson at (954) 828-5519.

## EXTEND YOURSELF

The City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department Community Support Division offers citizens a variety of tools and resources to help keep a safe community. A full curriculum of ongoing classes, programs and services are available at the Community Support Division Office, located at 1113 E. Sunrise Blvd. Following is a list of upcoming forums, ongoing training programs and services.

### Addressing Identity Theft

Identity theft is on the rise. Using a variety of methods, criminals steal credit card numbers, driver's license numbers, Social Security Numbers, ATM cards and pin codes, telephone calling cards and other key pieces of individual identities. To combat this crime, the City of Fort

Lauderdale Police Department introduced the ID Theft Workshop in January. At the request of citizens, several workshops will be offered in March and April. At this time, a sign up sheet has been established to determine the number of sessions necessary to accommodate all interested participants. The workshop addresses identity theft and the criminals behind the violation, how victims are targeted, how criminals gain access to personal and company information. For additional information or to attend the class, call (954) 828-6428.





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### ***Hotel Motel Training***

Date: March 5; Time: 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. This seminar is designed for property owners, property managers and renters alike. Topics covered include statutes, definitions, rules and regulations, keeping illegal activity out of public lodging establishments, city resources available to protect owners, property managers and renters, and more. For more information or to register, please call **(954) 828-6428**.

### ***Landlord/Tenant Training***

Date: March 20; Time: 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Topics include keeping illegal activity out of your property, screening applicants, the Federal Fair Housing Act, Section 8 Housing and more. For more information or to register, please call **(954) 828-6428**.

### ***License Plate Theft Prevention***

The City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department is distributing special screws that are created to prevent the theft of license plates. The screws are affixed with a regular screwdriver, but can only be removed with a special tool held by the Police Department. While supplies last, these tools are available Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and are free. For more information, please call Alisa Cappuzzello, Project Director, at **(954) 828-6433**.

### ***Graffiti Awareness***

Date: February 26; Time: 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Can you distinguish between artistic and gang graffiti? This training will outline the five styles of graffiti, the types of offenders, the terms and symbols used by graffiti offenders, the various methods and techniques available to citizens that can help protect neighborhoods from graffiti. Call **(954) 828-6428** for more information or to register.

**Graffiti Hotline**  
**(954)**  
**828-6428**



## **Police, Fort Lauderdale H.S. Celebrate Commencement of First Teen Police Academy**

The first 25 students to take part in the Fort Lauderdale Police Department Teen Police Academy graduated recently after a four-month training program conducted with Fort Lauderdale High School students participating in the Criminal Justice Program.

Students attended classes three times a week at the Community Support Division of the Fort Lauderdale Police Department. In addition to classroom lectures, students had the opportunity to meet and interact with police officers, sergeants and other police personnel from different areas of the agency. The Teen Police Academy curriculum, developed in partnership with the police department and school officials, featured a variety of hands-on demonstrations and covered a wide range of law enforcement topics including drug enforcement, special investigations, communications, and crime analysis. In addition to building a stronger relationship between youth and the police, the academy served as a tool to encourage students to consider a career in law enforcement. Plans for additional academies are being discussed.

The City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department has positions available for non-certified and certified detention officers.

Both positions consist of maintaining order and supervising the activities of prisoners in a medium security detention facility. Work is performed under the immediate supervision of a Detention Supervisor according to established security procedures and departmental regulations. The salary for a Certified Detention Officer starts at \$33,841.60 annually, and offers liberal fringe benefits. The salary for a Non-Certified Detention Officer starts at \$31,387.20 annually and offers liberal fringe benefits.

A Certified Detention Officer must be a United States citizen, be at least 19 years of age, be a high school graduate or possess a high school equivalency diploma from a recognized issuing agency, be of good character and never have been convicted of any felony or a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, and be certified as a Corrections Officer in the State of Florida.

A Non-Certified Detention Officer must be a United States citizen, be at least 19 years of age, be a high school graduate or possess a high school equivalency diploma from a recognized issuing agency, and be of good character and never have been convicted of any felony or a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude. Applications for both positions may be obtained from the City of Fort Lauderdale Personnel Department located on the 3rd floor of City Hall, 100 N. Andrews Ave. or downloaded from the City's website ([www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us](http://www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us)).

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

## Police Partner With Haitian Law Enforcement

The City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department and the Haitian Law Enforcement Association have formed a partnership for the purpose of increasing outreach efforts in the Haitian community.

The association, formed to promote and enhance the law enforcement needs of the Haitian community and to assist in advancing the needs of present and future law enforcement officers of Haitian descent within the tri-county area, will co-host regular meetings with the City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department. These meetings are designed to offer attendees a great opportunity to voice issues and concerns while forming a stronger community and partnership with the Police Department. In addition, valuable information about City services and employment opportunities are presented. A Haitian Town Hall meeting is scheduled for February 26 at the Community Support Division.

Yves La Fontant, association president and a police officer with Florida International University, established the partnership by joining with other Haitian-Americans in Law Enforcement. The first meeting, co-hosted by the City of Surfside, was held in late January with community leaders, newly appointed County Court Judge The Honorable Fred Seraphin who is of Haitian descent, Florida City Police Chief Marc Elias, City of Fort Lauderdale Police Sergeant Harvey Jacques and Community Relations Specialist Junia Jeantilus. Various initiatives were discussed that would bring education as well as outreach for the local Haitian community.

Currently, the Fort Lauderdale Police Department has two Creole speaking police officers, one detention officer and a Community Relations Specialist on staff who work directly with the Haitian community. Jeantilus was appointed to sit on the association's board as a civilian member and will assist in recruiting efforts of Haitian-Americans interested in careers in law enforcement. The Association partnership is in addition to the Haitian Partnership Project already in existence with the City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department. For additional information call, Junia Jeantilus at 828-6441.

"I feel the forming of this organization is a long time coming," said Jeantilus. "There is a need for more Haitians in law enforcement. I am sure there are a lot of qualified Haitians. Our job will be to go out and find them."



*Junia Jeantilus also hosts a radio segment in Creole on Radio Station AM 1320 on Thursday evenings.*

## Behind The Badge

### *Police Vice Squad Call Closing Time At Three Nuisance Establishments*

The prevalence of prostitution, pornography, and illicit adult entertainment establishments continue to plague communities across the country. But the City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department's Vice Unit is dedicated to addressing all facets of these problems that impact the quality of life in our community.

In the last three months, Vice Unit operations have forced the doors to close at three nuisance establishments that served as fronts for prostitution.

"An Angel's Touch", located at 1815 East Commercial Blvd., had its grand opening during the week of November 12 and was advertising in the sports section of several local publications offering "beautiful female staff" to assist with body shampoos and body rubs. After a weeklong investigation, undercover vice detectives were able to document offers of prostitution from the staff. The operation resulted in three arrests for prostitution. Further arrests are anticipated.

A longtime eyesore known as "Live Peep Show" located at 930 State Road 84 finally closed its doors after being in business for nearly two decades. The Vice Unit maintained continuous pressure on the business over the years and made numerous arrests of their staff for prostitution, lewdness and assignation. Due to changes in zoning within the past ten years, similar type of adult business is prohibited from establishing at this location.

Originally opened as the "Dreamland Ballroom" back in 1983, the "Strip" and most recently renamed "Cats Meow II", led to more than 35 arrests for prostitution and lewdness and the end of a longtime nemesis.

The Vice unit uses a comprehensive investigative method, combined with statutes and ordinances to arrest and prosecute criminals. The well-known practice of using undercover police officers is only one.

"Our most important partnership involves members of the community taking a stand against illegal activities," said Vice Sergeant **Gary G. Daughenbaugh**. "Our most important weapon in this fight is a concerned citizen reporting suspicious activities for investigation. Information provided in this manner is valuable and has led to numerous search warrants, arrests and prosecutions of major offenders."

The vice unit walks a fine line between the laws that protect business establishments and the community's needs to keep illicit activities out of their neighborhoods. The unit depends upon the eyes and ears of the citizens to do their job.



# Magazine, Catalog Recycling Contest Announced

*Schools To Receive Cash  
For The Most Magazines and  
Catalogues Recycled.  
Neighborhoods and Businesses  
Encouraged To Partner  
With Area Schools.*

From April 1 through May 15, local elementary schools can take part in the City of Fort Lauderdale Magazine/Catalog Recycle Program. The program will replace the Phone Book Recycling Program held each year. Residents, multifamily and businesses are encouraged to donate their magazines and catalogs directly to the schools, which are eligible to sign up by calling Casey Eckels at (954) 828-5577. Some civic and homeowner associations have already signed up, so contact your association representative for information on the program. Pick-up and delivery assistance to schools are also available.

## City Leaders Praise Wingate Community Advisory Committee During Landfill Cleanup

City leaders commended the members of the Wingate Community Advisory Committee (CAC) for their hard work and dedication during the cleanup of the Wingate Road Landfill and Incinerator, 1300 NW 31st Ave.

"The efforts to cleanup Wingate go back to the 1970's and many nearby residents wanted to play an active roll in its cleanup and end-use," said **Greg Kisela**, Assistant City Manager for the City of Fort Lauderdale. "The CAC was the group that kept residents informed about every phase of the operation."

Retired elementary school principal **Robert Smith** and Broward County environmental services enforcement coordinator **Kassandra Barnes**, the CAC co-chairs, believed their key role was to keep the lines of communication open among residents, the city and parties involved in the remediation.

"I personally wanted to be a part of the cleanup efforts since I grew up near the Wingate Landfill," said Barnes. "I believe a major part of my job was to make sure all of our questions and concerns were addressed, no matter how small they might seem. As issues were raised that were not dealing with operations of the cleanup and end-use, we would direct people to experts that could help answer questions we could not answer."

"We also wanted to make sure residents had a direct link to cleanup managers and local leaders," said Smith. "During our meetings, we tried to create an atmosphere where citizens felt comfortable sharing their ideas and concerns."

"The CAC also translated complex technical information about the landfill cleanup for average citizen," added Barnes. "Finally, the City has leaned on us to make suggestions on what the end-use should be. We voted in favor of a golfing facility with a community center."

The IT Group, the contractor that oversaw the Wingate cleanup, completed the EPA recommended remedy earlier this year.

The EPA's cleanup plan centered on a multi-layered closure system, with a high-density, geosynthetic membrane and cover soil. This system, which was the EPA solution used successfully at similar Superfund sites around the country, will prevent human contact with landfill material and protect

drinking water supplies. Thirty years of monitoring was also a part of the plan. The EPA's plan was reviewed, improved at the community's request, and reviewed again before the ultimate approval in federal court.

The geosynthetic membrane covered about 36.5 acres of the 60-acre site. Work crews have covered it with 18 inches of clean soil, six inches of topsoil and landscaped it with seed, mulch and sod.

"The cleanup crews took extra precautions for security, safety and dust control," said Kisela. "We finally have a capping system in place that will protect the

public from materials in the landfill."

The project provided work for several minority contractors including Berlin Ellerson, owner of B & M Lawn Service and Landscaping. In turn, her company hired local people to do landscaping at the site.



"It was a wonderful experience because I was able to build an extraordinary relationship with the city and the companies helping to pay for the clean up of the site," said

Ellerson. "Everyday, people would stop by and tell me how good the property looked and how great it was to see a local contractor working on the site. I was pleased to be a part of an effort that made a difference in my community and that's the best feeling of all."

*Community  
Advisory  
Committee  
co-chairs  
Robert Smith  
and  
Kassandra  
Barnes.*

# Around Town

*Fort Lauderdale is the place to be for sports, arts, cultural and family oriented events. Here is a brief look at some of the exciting activities planned for the upcoming weeks.*

## Join the Fort Lauderdale Bridge Club

Love to play cards? Then head for Holiday Park and start dealing. Masterpoint duplicate games are held everyday at 12:30 and Sundays at 1 p.m. Non-life masterpoint duplicate games are held Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 12:30 p.m. and Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. Open evening games are held at 5:30 p.m. on Sundays, and 6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Saturdays. All levels of duplicate bridge lessons are also available. For additional information on lessons or games, please call (954) 761-1577.

## SunTrust Jazz Brunch

Don't miss the SunTrust Sunday Jazz Brunch, showcasing South Florida's finest jazz entertainers on five stages, and plenty of local cuisine for purchase on the first Sunday of each month from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event extends from Las Olas Riverfront to the Broward Center for the Performing Arts. For more information on upcoming special events or artists, please call the hotline at (954) 828-5985 or visit the City's web site ([www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us](http://www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us)).

Upcoming featured performers are:

### March 3:

Gold Coast Jazz Society; A. Jay Parham & the Ascension; Lynne Merrill band; Stacey Buckley; Ben Champion

### April 7:

Othello Molineaux; Johnny Conga & His Mambo Orchestra; Mantra; Larissa Lockett; Rising Star; Harlem & The Abyssinians



## Safe Driving Lessons For Teens

The City of Fort Lauderdale Parks and Recreation Department in cooperation with The New Driver Car Control Clinic continue to provide teens with the Smooth Operator Program this fall. The Smooth Operator Program © is a three-part driver education and training course that provides three modules:

Module I, "Road Signs, Road Rules & Road Rage" - This 3 hour module covers the basic information needed to pass the test to receive your Learner's Permit;

Module II, "Traffic Laws and Substance Abuse Education" - This 5 hour module is the State-mandated course necessary to obtain a Learner's Permit;

Module III, "The New Driver Car Control Clinic" - This 4 hour, hands-on, in car driving clinic is for parents and teens. This clinic teaches participants to become a safe and responsible driver.

Sessions are offered at Lockhart Stadium, 1350 NW 55th Street, through April 6. The cost for the three module training course is \$120. Please call 1-888-385-0606 to register or call (954) 828-8943 or (954) 828-8945 for more information.

## Free Youth Art Classes

The following free youth art classes are being offered at Joseph C. Carter Park, 1450 W. Sunrise Blvd.

\* Multimedia Art - Saturdays, 10 a.m. - noon

\* World Beat Percussion - Saturdays, noon - 2 p.m.

For additional information on these and other classes, please call (954) 828-5408.

## Co-ed Volleyball Leagues Seeks Players

Volleyball Players, looking for a fun, competitive, and exciting league to participate in? The City of Fort Lauderdale's Holiday Park Gymnasium is registering teams for the upcoming Co-Ed Recreational League and the Co-Ed Power League.

The Co-Ed Recreational League is perfect for intermediate teams looking for a league that is social and fun. The Power League will give advanced teams a chance to challenge their skills while encouraging sportsmanship and healthy competition. Each team may have up to eight players, but individuals who would like to play and do not have a team will be matched with other players and teams. Games are played every Wednesday night starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Holiday Park Gymnasium, 1200 G. Harold Martin Dr. The registration fee is \$225 for this 9-week, plus up to 2 weeks of playoffs league. Registration is ongoing at the Holiday Park Social Center, located next to the Gymnasium. Registration times are Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Extended registration hours are available on Wednesdays until 8 p.m. For more information, please call 954-828-5383.



## 2002 Spring Home and Garden Tour

The Victoria Park Civic Association will host the 2002 Spring Home and Garden Tour April 6 and 7. An outdoor exhibit area and refreshments are all free for tour guests. Free transportation by air conditioned trolleys to all homes is provided. The tour begins at the Virginia Shuman Young Elementary School at Broward Blvd. & NE 9th Ave. Free parking is available at the school. Trolleys run continuously starting at 1 p.m. with the last trolley leaving at 4 p.m. Tickets may be purchased in advance for \$15 or purchased the day of the tour for \$20. For more information, please call (954) 467-2008.



## Cajun Festival Announced

The 10th Annual Cajun-Zydeco Festival will take place May 10, 11 and 12 at the Fort Lauderdale Stadium Festival Grounds, 1401 N.W. 55th St. Mark your calendars for food, music and the 3rd Annual Gumbo Cook-off Contest. Festival hours are: Friday, May 10: 5 p.m. to 11 p.m.; Saturday, May 11: 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Sunday, May 12: 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Advance admission prices are \$12, \$20 and \$25 for daily, two-day and three-day passes. Gate admission prices are \$15, \$25 and \$35 for daily, two-day and three-day passes. For more information, log on to the City Festivals page of the City's website at [www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us](http://www.ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us) or call the City Festivals Office at (954) 828-3255.

## City-Sponsored After School Recreation

The City of Fort Lauderdale hosts the award winning After School Intramural & Art Program (A.S.I.A.) for youth of all ages. This program offers a well supervised after school experience with classes in computers, weight training, visual arts, double dutch, FCAT Prep, Robotics, and chorus. A.S.I.A. provides a constructive environment, which builds a better self-image and self-esteem. Don't miss out; space will be limited so register early. Call 762-8945 for more information.



ASIA is offered Monday through Friday at the following locations :

**William Dandy Middle School;** 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. For information, call Willie Kelly at (954) 497-1875;

**Dillard High School;** 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, contact Connie Miller (954) 797-4800;

**Fort Lauderdale High School;** 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. For more information, call Howard Leist (954) 765-6924;

**New River Middle School;** 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. For more information, call Jeff Cognato (954) 797-4500;

**Stranahan High School;** 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. For more information, call Don Bennett (954) 765-6800;

**Sunrise Middle School;** 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. For more information, call Daphne Browne (954) 765-6785;

**Whiddon Rogers Education Center;** 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, please call Andre Jones (954) 765-6896;



## Hall of Fame Hosts Stellar Event

The City of Fort Lauderdale and the International Swimming Hall of Fame, Inc. will host the YMCA National Championships March 30 - April 5 and the YMCA Masters National Meet April 18-20. The Hall of Fame Aquatic Complex is located at 501 Seabreeze Blvd. Entry fees are \$5 for preliminaries or \$5 for finals, and \$25 for an eight session pass. Admission for children 11 years and younger is half price. For more information, call (954) 828-4580.

## Volunteer Recruitment Picnic Set

The City of Fort Lauderdale City Festivals Office will host the 2002 semi-annual volunteer recruitment picnic on April 14, noon to 5 p.m. at Snyder Park's Pavilion #5. Snyder Park is located at 3299 SW 4th Ave, south of SR 84 on S.W. 4th Ave. Many volunteers are needed each year to help out at special events hosted by the City of Fort Lauderdale. The Cajun-Zydeco Crawfish Festival, scheduled for May 10-12, requires hundreds of volunteers to help with concessions, admission, set up and a host of other behind-the-scenes tasks that make the event a success each year. The recruitment picnic offers prospective volunteers an enthusiastic introduction to the people who make it all happen. The picnic features plenty of food, games and activities. There is no admission to attend the picnic and parking is free. However, interested volunteers are asked to call in and register for an accurate count of attendees. For more information or to register for the event, call 954-828-3256.

*While we make every effort to include timely information, circumstances occasionally force changes to events listed. Please call the numbers listed prior to attending. Additionally, current events may cause delays in mail deliveries of this publication. Should you receive this publication after an event has occurred please accept our apologies.*

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